

Milton S. Mayer -- Marxist Propagandist

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Milton S. Mayer, who spoke at Arizona State University, Jan. 12, 1962, 3:30 P.M. on "Christians Under Communism" and again at 8 P.M. at Central Methodist Church, Phoenix, on "The Price of Peace." He is being brought here under the auspices of the American Friends Service Committee (Quaker) with whom he is affiliated. Local sponsor is Valley Wesley, the Methodist Youth Fellowship.

The Worker, a communist newspaper, reports favorably on the activities of the American Friends Service Committee. The Midwest Edition of the Worker of Jan. 7, 1962, page 1, states, "A month long campaign reaching into 25 Chicago area communities culminating with a big city wide peace rally on Jan. 26, is the goal of Chicago peace leaders who are seeking to enlist cooperation of thousands of Chicagoans in a drive for peace. Local leaders of the nationwide 'Turn Toward Peace' movement have announced that . . . they will seek to establish more than two dozen community centers for peace . . . Main activities are being led by the Chicago office of the American Friends Service Committee."

The Worker, Jan. 2, 1962, page 4, states: "Turn Toward Peace was organized on Sept. 18, in New York City . . . Its National Chairman is Norman Thomas, and its two coordinators are Sanford Gottlieb, political director of Sane, and Robert Pickus, director of the San Francisco-Berkely Acts for Peace Program." . . . It proposes to recruit people to act for peace through the mass media, through a national petition already signed by such notables as Eleanor Roosevelt, Martin Luther King, Jr., and Walter Reuther, and by recruiting leaders of opinion to the cause.

The Elks Magazine, November, 1961, p. 46, under "Freedom's Facts," states:

"Communist Party General Secretary Gus Hall has launched a campaign to work inside and alongside all peace organizations, to make them more militant and more effective. Hall wants to make peace an issue everywhere that people gather."

The Eleventh Report, California Legislature, Senate Investigating Comm. on Education, 1953, is an excellent source of information on the American Friends Service Committee. This organization:

1. Opposes the Loyalty Oath. (P. 13 & 109.)
2. Opposes military training for the youth of the U.S. (P. 39.)
3. Opposes the questioning of teachers regarding Communist Party membership because it "lowers the quality of instruction." (P. 48.)
4. Opposes U.S. support of Chiang Kai-shek and French Indo-China. (P. 108.)
5. Opposes our U.S. military bases in other parts of the world. (P. 109.)
6. They are for U.S. disarmament while Communist-bloc nations are arming and have started full-scale military training for university students. (PP. 39 & 109.)
7. They are for world law. (P. 109.)

The 11th Report, p. 111, states:

"Robert Vogel, Director of Institutes of the American Friends Service Committee (Southwest Region) gave a most interesting Washington report to the Humanists on Feb. 11th. . . Mr. Vogel devotes a great deal of space. . . to his interviews at the Embassy of India, and at the Russian Embassy:

'At the Russian Embassy, six persons from the visiting group (not including Mr. Vogel) were told that Russia keeps the door to disarmament open and also hopes for cultural interchange between the West and herself. When asked



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whether Russia would favor the visit of some churchmen in their country, the reply was, yes, if the visitors were not 'politically tainted,' that is, if they did not have some ulterior political motives, such as the desire to use the visit for adverse political propaganda. They suggested that the Quakers, for instance, would be welcome visitors."

Fourteenth Report, Calif. Senate Investigating Committee, 1956, pg. 152:

"There is a Quaker relief organization which is a section of the War Resisters International Council of International Anti-Militarist Groups, which functions as a peace section under the name of the AMERICAN FRIENDS SERVICE COMMITTEE. At their primary meeting in Holland, they declared that they were 'working for the suppression of capitalism and imperialism by the establishment of a new social and international order.' It cooperates with several radical groups, such as the Fellowship of Reconciliation, League for Industrial Democracy, etc."

After completing a month of lecturing in the U.S., Milton Mayer will return to Prague, Czechoslovakia, where he is a visiting professor on the faculty of the Protestant Seminary. We wonder if it is as a Quaker that Milton Mayer is allowed to teach behind the Iron Curtain?

This brings to mind Cardinal Mindszenty, who is forced to seek refuge in the American Embassy in Hungary. Both Churchmen. One is allowed to teach behind the Iron Curtain—the other is a prisoner. WHY?

Milton Mayer is also a member of the Fellowship of Reconciliation and serves on their National Council as documented in the California Legislature's 14th Report, 1956, Senate Investigating Committee on Education, pp. 139-140.

The following appears on pg. 149 of the 14th Report:

"Fellowship of Reconciliation, organized in 1915. . . It sponsored a pamphlet against military training. However, its members are not opposed to a war that would end capitalism. . . The Fellowship advocates the right of an individual to refuse to obey the State, even in the emergency of war. . . Evidently the Fellowship of Reconciliation is a foreign conceived and planted movement in our country to destroy the spirit of national patriotism of our American people and to oppose our various agencies of national defense."

Following information is quoted from the book, "We must abolish the United States—The Hidden Facts Behind the Crusade for World Government," published by the Constitutional Education League, pp. 41-42-43:

"Prof Mayer was touring the country, speaking for World Government and advising young men to violate the law by not regis-

tering for the peacetime draft, and even worse, urging them to refuse to fight for our country in time of war. Many of these latter speeches were made under the auspices of an organization called the "Peacemakers," which is headed by Abraham J. Muste, once leader of the Trotskyite Communists, and now a leading advocate of Federal World Government. . . The establishment of any kind of World Government would nullify the Declaration of Independence and repeal the Constitution of the United States."

Milton Mayer wrote an article for the January 1952 issue of Fellowship (official publication of the Fellowship of Reconciliation) eulogizing A. J. Muste, mentioned above. He wrote:

"A. J. Muste went back to the Fellowship of Reconciliation (F.O.R.) of which he is now (1952) executive secretary. . . Remember, he, (Muste) speaks now (1952) for some 5,000 Christian Ministers (besides some 10,000 laymen) in the F.O.R. . . Young men come to him, as they come to the Quakers, and as the Quakers come to him to work for him and with him. The working staff of the Fellowship of Reconciliation is composed . . . of young and middle aged men of extraordinary calibre. Some of them are fools for Christ, but all of them are fools for A. J. Muste, and in the smallest town, a preacher who is preaching Christ Crucified and the social revolution that goes with it—is an F.O.R. member. All that A. J. Muste has to do is convert the Jim Crow capitalist, war-making Christian Church to Christ Crucified, and his work is done."

Page 141 of the 14th Report:

"An early directive by LENIN himself reads, 'We must secure the goodwill of teachers and professors in schools and universities, of liberal ministers of religion and of the pacifists and reformers of the world in order to bar them from participating in a carnal conflict with the Communist order.' So it should be obvious to any open-minded person that pacifism, resistance to patriotic service of one's country, serves the Communist cause equally well, whether by a Communist member or by a non-member."

Pages 147-148 of the Report continues:

" . . . it's not strange then that we find over 1,000 national pacifist movements within the United States, without a single one in the Soviet Union. It is not strange then to find that most of these pacifists movements in the U.S. are bound up into united front groups, then into Internationals with headquarters abroad from where they receive their inspirations and instructions . . . it's not strange then that we find them without exception carrying on an organized campaign in the U.S. against "fascism" but not against the more widely organized menace, Communism; . . . But it IS strange to find many ministers of the Gospel leading these movements when they must know what it is all about. Nothing is more horrible than the war of Communism against Christianity. . . "

The May 15, 1957 Chicago Daily Tribune printed an article titled "Organize New Groups to Join Reds and Leftists." The article reads, and I quote:

"Formation of a new organization to promote cooperation among Communists and non-Communist Leftists was announced today. The group is called the "American Forum for Socialist Education—the group includes Doxey Wilkerson and Dr. Albert Blumberg of the Communist Party. Vice Chairmen of the new organization are Kermit Eby and Milton Mayer", end of quote. If not a Communist, Mayer is guilty by association.

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